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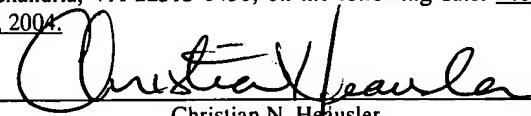
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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**Inventor(s): DAVID LEVY AND PAUL DODD**

**For: SELF ENERGIZING CONNECTOR**

**1. Type of Application**

This new application is for a(n):

Utility application.

**The present application claims priority to co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/461,072 filed April 08, 2003.**

**2. Papers Enclosed Which Are Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 CFR 1.153 (Design) Application**

8 Pages of specification

3 Pages of claims

1 Page of abstract

6 Sheets of [X] informal or [ ] formal drawings (FIG 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6)

**3. Declaration or Oath**

Enclosed executed by inventor.

**4. Non-publication Request under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

[X] Enclosed and signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b).

**5. Language**

[X] English

**6. Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

[X] Utility application

A. Number of claims as filed	_____ 15
B. Number of independent claims as filed	_____ 2

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**7. Small Entity Statement(s)**

[X] Applicant claims small entity under 37 CFR § 1.27.

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**8. Fee Payment Being Made At This Time**

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[X] Basic filing fee	\$ _____ 385.00
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**9. Method of Payment of Fees**

[X] Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$ 385.00 filing fees and any other fee deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-1313 in the name of Buskop Law Group. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

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**In re application of:** David Levy and Paul Dodd      **Group Art Unit:** Not Assigned

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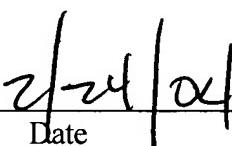
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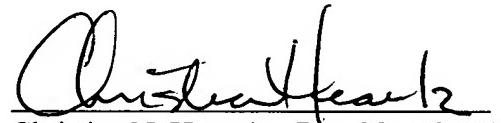
**For:** Self Energizing Connector      **Atty Dkt No.:** 1237.01A

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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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